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## REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION

Under Rule 53(a), (b) &amp; (f)

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Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a new Patent Application (☐ Design ☒ Utility) entitled:

2. (Complete) Title:

SINGING VOICE-SYNTHESIZING METHOD AND APPARATUS AND STORAGE MEDIUM

without a filing fee or Oath/Declaration but for which is enclosed the following:

3. ☒ Abstract 1 page(s).4. 68 Pages of Specification (only spec. and claims); 5. ☐ Specification in non-English language

6. 12 Numbered claim(s); and

7. ☒ Drawings: 38 sheet(s) ☐ 1 set informal; 8. ☒ formal of size: ☒ A4 ☐ 11"9. DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
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10. FOREIGN priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1) 2000-402880	December 28, 2000	(2)	
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11. 1 (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☒ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) \_\_\_\_\_  
in U.S. Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_12. ☐ This is a reissue of Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_13. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National, International application(s) (X box only if info is there and do not complete corresponding item 14 or 15.)14. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line -- This is a ☐ Continuation-in-Part  
☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation ☐ Substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of:14(a) ☐ National Appln. No. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ -- (M# \_\_\_\_\_)14(b) ☐ International Appln. No. PCT/ \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ which  
designated the U.S., and that International Application ☐ was ☐ was not published  
under PCT Article 21(2) in English.--15. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application  
claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_.--16. Extension to date: ☐ concurrently filed ☐ not needed ☐ previously filed17. ☐ Small Entity Status is claimed (pre-filing confirmation required)17(a) ☐ Attached: (No.) Small Entity Statement(s). (Since 9/8/00 Small Entity Statement not  
essential to make claim)17(b) ☐ See NONPUBLICATION REQUEST under Rule 213(a) attached (PAT-258)

18. ☐ Prior application is assigned to

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19. ☐ Attached:

20. This application is made by the following named inventor(s) (Double check instructions for accuracy.):  
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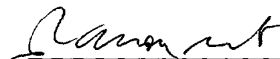
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- ☒ Patent application (68 pages of specification; 12 claims; 1 pages of abstract)
- ☒ 38 sheets of formal drawings
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